already provided Rs. 19.62 crores for the implementation of the PIP to the State Government and the balance amount will be released on utilization of these funds by the State.

Planning Commission has also provided a one time additional Central assistance of Rs. 200 crores to the State on 2.6.2005 to implement various schemes which include Rs. 10 crore each for providing Urban Health Service and Rural Health Service.

AIIMS like hospital in Patna

†1355. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the hospital being constructed by Government of Patna on the pattern of AIIMS, which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice-President of India a few year ago; and

(b) the status of allocation of funds for the construction of hospital, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI) : (a) AIIMS, Patna (Bihar) is one of the six AIIMS like Institutions proposed to be set up under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY). Necessary clearances are being obtained for implementation of the PMSSY Scheme. Pending these clearances, start-up activities like construction of boundary wall on sites where land was made available, the process for selection of Project Consultant for providing comprehensive consultancy services and selection of architectural concepts/designs for all the six AIIMS like institutions have been taken up. The requisite land for proposed AIIMS, Patna is yet to be made available by the State Government and the matter is being pursued with them.

(b) During the year 2003-04 & 2004-05, a sum of Rs. 6.00 crores & Rs. 6.15 (approx.) Crores respectively have been spent in respect of various start up activities relating to PMSSY Scheme. During the current year 2005-06, there is a provision of Rs. 250 Crores (Budget Estimate) for the Scheme.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.